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SUBJECT: SOVIET PRESS ON VIETNAMESE-KHMER BORDER CLASHES

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1. IZVESTIYA JAN 5 CARRIES LENGTHY ARTICLE FROM HANOI-BASED IZVESTIYA CORRESPONDENT M. IL'INSKY ENTITLED "EVENTS ON VIETNAMESE-KHMER BORDER". ARTICLE BEGINS BY STRESSING VIETNAMESE NEWSPAPER "NHAN DAN" EDITORIAL STATEMENT ON "NECESSITY OF PERSISTENTLY SUPPORTING POLICY OF FRIENDSHIP

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AND USING THE ROAD OF NEGOTIATIONS FOR A DECISION ON BORDER PROBLEMS BETWEEN VIETNAM AND KAMPUCHEA". ARTICLE ALSO:

--RECAPITULATES AT SOME LENGTH CONTENTS VIETNAMESE DECLARATION REVIEWED IN DETAIL REF B;

--REPEATS REPORTS IN FOREIGN PRESS ALLEGING  
CHINESE PARTICIPATION IN CONFLICT ON KHMER SIDE  
WHILE REFUTING "FAIRY TALE" OF INVOLVEMENT FOREIGN  
FORCES ON VIETNAMESE SIDE;

--NOTES THAT KHMER DECISION TO BREAK DIPLOMATIC  
RELATIONS WAS "UNILATERAL", AND THAT PHNOM PENH  
AND NOT THE DRV INSTRUCTED KHMER DIPLOMATS TO  
DEPART HANOI.

2. THREE OTHER BRIEF STORIES APPEARING IN SOVIET  
PRESS JAN 5 REPORT VIETNAMESE AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE  
STATEMENT IN PARIS ON PAST VIETNAMESE EFFORTS TO  
SETTLE BORDER ISSUE AND NOTE LAO FOREIGN MINISTER'S  
CALL FOR A SPEEDY SOLUTION TO THE VIETNAMESE-KHMER  
PROBLEMS.

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